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AMENDMENTS TO APPLICATION

Sir:

Having financial constraints, this Applicant/Inventor has and intends to continue to work *pro se* (without legal representation) in the drafting of all documents concerning this application and will accept any suggestions or recommendation made by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office examiner.

With the backlog of the USPTO examination process for the new 2160 group, the applicant has not as yet had an "office action" from the USPTO or opportunity to respond. With the drawing near of 18 months since the application was filed and the possibility of preissue publication, applicant feels that there were some obvious errors in the abstract, description, and claims, but not to the extent of introducing new matter. The applicant merely wishes to achieve compliance with Title 35 procedures and regulations and therefore provides the following list of amendments.

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT

1. The following text to be inserted at insertion label [1]:

Digital media has raised new questions about what exclusive rights original copyright holders have to protect their works from being used without permission. While many peer to peer (P2P) technologies have arisen in recent months which facilitate non-licensed distribution of digital media over the Internet,

2. The following text to be inserted at insertion label [2]:

RPOS is a new approach to Internet merchandising that can facilitate the control of copies from copies (Serial Copy Management) through a content based identification system which survives beyond the first transaction. RPOS uses a cataloging system whose entries are generated in conjunction with media content fingerprinting prior to the sale, which may